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House Bills

HB 1039 by Representatives Ballasiotes, O'Brien, Ahern, Morell and Woods

Clarifying which prior offenses are considered strikes.

Finds that an ambiguity may exist regarding whether out-of-state convictions or convictions under prior Washington law, for sex offenses that are comparable to current Washington offenses, count when determining whether an offender is a persistent offender.

Declares an intent to clarify the legislature's intent that out-of-state convictions for comparable sex offenses and prior Washington convictions for comparable sex offenses shall be used to determine whether an offender meets the definition of a persistent offender.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 1040 by Representatives Ballasiotes, O'Brien, Jarrett, Conway and Simpson

Authorizing crime victims' compensation benefits in hit-and-run vehicular assault cases.

Authorizes crime victims' compensation benefits in hitand-run vehicular assault cases.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections

HB 1041 by Representatives Ballasiotes, O'Brien, Lambert, Ruderman, Woods and Hurst

Allowing protection orders for unlawful harassment to restrain persons under the age of eighteen.

Authorizes protection orders for unlawful harassment to restrain persons under the age of eighteen.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Juvenile Justice.

HB 1042 by Representatives Campbell, Schual-Berke, Skinner, Haigh and Lantz

Establishing sterilization requirements for the commercial practices of electrology and tattooing.

Finds and declares that the practices of electrology and tattooing involve an invasive procedure with the use of needles and instruments which may be dangerous when improperly sterilized presenting a risk of infecting the client with bloodborne pathogens such as HIV and Hepatitis B.

Declares it is in the interests of the public health, safety, and welfare to regulate the sterilization procedures

in the commercial practices of electrology and tattooing in this state.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 1043 by Representatives Alexander, Conway, Lambert, Doumit, H. Sommers, Kagi, O'Brien, McIntire, Haigh, Kenney, Edmonds and Simpson; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy

Increasing the maximum benefit allowance that public employees' retirement system plan 1 members may earn from sixty to sixty-eight percent.

Increases the maximum benefit allowance that public employees' retirement system plan 1 members may earn from sixty to sixty-eight percent.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1044 by Representatives Conway, Lambert, H. Sommers, Talcott, Doumit, Pearson, Alexander, Kagi, McIntire, Hurst, Hatfield, Haigh, Kenney, Edmonds, Keiser and Simpson; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy

Converting the number of months into hours that teachers' retirement system, public employees' retirement system, and school employees' retirement system retirees may work without a reduction in their retirement allowance.

Establishes provisions converting the number of months into hours that teachers' retirement system, public employees' retirement system, and school employees' retirement system retirees may work without a reduction in their retirement allowance.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1045 by Representatives Conway, Delvin,
Doumit, Barlean, H. Sommers, Lambert,
Alexander, Kagi, O'Brien, McIntire, Hurst, Hatfield, Haigh,
Kenney, Edmonds, Keiser and Van Luven; by request of
Joint Committee on Pension Policy

Reducing the law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' retirement system plan 2 disability actuarial reduction age from fifty-five to fifty-three.

Reduces the law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' retirement system plan 2 disability actuarial reduction age from fifty-five to fifty-three.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1046 by Representatives Doumit, Alexander, Conway, Lambert, H. Sommers, Delvin, Kagi, O'Brien, McIntire, Hurst, Haigh, Kenney, Edmonds and Simpson; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy

Modifying the Washington state patrol retirement system retirement and survivor benefits.

Revises the Washington state patrol retirement system retirement and survivor benefits.

Repeals RCW 43.43.272, 43.43.276, and 43.43.300.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1047 by Representatives H. Sommers, Lambert, Conway, Doumit, McIntire, Haigh and Kenney; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy

Exempting trainers and trainees in housing authority resident training programs from membership in the public employees' retirement system.

Declares that, beginning on the effective date of this act, persons employed exclusively as trainers or trainees in resident apprentice training programs operated by housing authorities authorized under chapter 35.82 RCW are exempt if (1) the trainer or trainee is a member of a union-sponsored retirement plan and is making contributions to such a retirement plan or (2) if the employee is a member of a Taft-Hartley retirement plan.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1048 by Representatives Lambert, Doumit, Cox, Mulliken, H. Sommers, Clements, Talcott, Pearson, Alexander, Conway, Kagi, Ruderman, Hunt, McIntire, Hurst, Haigh, Kenney, Edmonds, Keiser and Simpson; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy

Increasing the number of hours that teachers' retirement system plan retirees may work in an eligible position to eight hundred forty without a reduction in their retirement benefits.

Increases the number of hours that teachers' retirement system plan retirees may work in an eligible position to eight hundred forty without a reduction in their retirement benefits.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1049 by Representatives Lambert, Doumit, Conway, H. Sommers, Kagi, O'Brien, Hunt, McIntire, Hurst, Hatfield, Haigh, Kenney, Edmonds, Keiser and Simpson; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy

Increasing the maximum benefit allowance that teachers' retirement system plan 1 members may earn from sixty to sixty-eight percent.

Increases the maximum benefit allowance that teachers' retirement system plan 1 members may earn from sixty to sixty-eight percent.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1050 by Representatives Alexander, H. Sommers, Lambert, Doumit, O'Brien, Haigh, Kenney and Edmonds; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy

Creating a supplemental actuarially reduced survivor benefit for qualified law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' retirement system plan 1 members who choose to actuarially reduce their benefits.

Establishes a supplemental actuarially reduced survivor benefit for qualified law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' retirement system plan 1 members who choose to actuarially reduce their benefits.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1051 by Representatives Doumit, Lambert, Conway, H. Sommers, Kagi, O'Brien, McIntire, Hurst, Haigh, Kenney, Edmonds and Keiser; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy

Providing annual increases in retirement allowances.

Authorizes annual increases in retirement allowances.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1052 by Representatives O'Brien and Ballasiotes

Incorporating amendments into the reorganized chapter 9.94A RCW.

Declares an intent to incorporate into the reorganization of chapter 9.94A RCW adopted by chapter 28, Laws of 2000 amendments adopted to RCW 9.94A.120 during the 2000 legislative session that did not take cognizance of the reorganization.

Declares an intent to correct any additional incorrect cross-references and to simplify the codification of provisions within chapter 9.94A RCW.

Does not intend to make, and no provision of this act may be construed as making, a substantive change in the sentencing reform act.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 1053 by Representatives Romero, Lambert, McIntire, Haigh, Kenney and Van Luven

Protecting privacy in the use of governmental information services.

Provides that a state internet information service may

- (1) Require a person using the service to accept the placement of information or software on a person's computer for the purpose of gathering information about the person or the person's internet usage; or
- (2) Modify information or software on the computer of a person using the service.

Does not prevent the placement or modification of information or software on a person's computer with the person's express and knowing consent.

Takes effect July 1, 2002.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to State Government.

HB 1054 by Representatives Edmonds, Lambert, Ogden, Kagi, O'Brien, Haigh, Kenney and Lantz

Revising provisions relating to third-party visitation. Revises provisions relating to third-party visitation.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

Senate Bills

SB 5131 by Senators Franklin and Kline

Allowing public funding of local office campaigns.

Amends RCW 42.17.128 to allow public funding of local office campaigns.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to State & Local Government.

SB 5132 by Senators Kastama, B. Sheldon, Rasmussen, Franklin, Snyder, Prentice, Costa, Fraser, McAuliffe, Kohl-Welles, Fairley, Jacobsen, Kline, Winsley and Eide

Establishing a do not call list for commercial telephone solicitation.

Designates procedures for the establishment of a do not call list for commercial telephone solicitation.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Economic D e v e l o p m e n t & Telecommunications.

SB 5133 by Senators Fairley and Kohl-Welles

Requiring seller disclosure of water infiltration.

Requires seller disclosure of water infiltration through walls or floor.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to State & Local Government.

SB 5134 by Senators Kastama, Winsley and Regala

Modifying provisions of the mobile home landlord-tenant act.

Revises provisions of the mobile home landlord-tenant act.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Financial Institutions.

SB 5135 by Senators Kastama, Regala, Kohl-Welles, Thibaudeau, Prentice, Kline, Winsley and Spanel

Applying the consumer protection act to manufactured/mobile home landlord-tenant act violations.

Applies the consumer protection act to manufactured/mobile home landlord-tenant act violations.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Financial Institutions.

SB 5136 by Senators Fairley, Patterson, Kohl-Welles, Regala, B. Sheldon, Costa, Prentice, Jacobsen, Oke and Winsley

Establishing the initiative review commission.

Provides that, within forty-five days after the date of certification of sufficiency under RCW 29.79.230 or the certification of a rejected initiative to the legislature under RCW 29.79.270, the commission shall conduct an analysis to determine if, as a matter of settled law, there is a significant likelihood the measure may be contrary to the state Constitution or the Constitution or laws of the United States.

Requires that, if a majority of the commission finds that, as a matter of settled law, there is a significant likelihood the measure may be contrary to the state Constitution or the Constitution or laws of the United States it shall prepare a statement for inclusion in the voters' pamphlet that lists the potential challenges.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to State & Local Government.

SB 5137 by Senators Fairley, McAuliffe, Kohl-Welles, Kastama, Rasmussen, Haugen, Gardner, Patterson, Kline, Shin, Regala, Costa and Winsley

Creating a low-income home ownership loan program.

Creates a low-income home ownership loan program.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Financial Institutions.

SB 5138 by Senators Morton, Hochstatter, Benton, Oke, Stevens, McCaslin, Honeyford, Swecker, Sheahan, Johnson, Zarelli, Hale and Rossi

Increasing the weight of vehicles exempted from scale stops.

Amends RCW 46.44.105 to increase the weight of vehicles exempted from scale stops.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5139 by Senators Morton, Haugen, Parlette, Hewitt, Rasmussen, Hochstatter, Oke, McCaslin, Swecker, Stevens, Honeyford, Benton, Roach, Johnson and Sheahan

Authorizing excess weight permits for certain agricultural commodity trucks.

Amends RCW 46.44.0941 to authorize excess weight permits for trucks hauling certain bulk agricultural commodities.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5140 by Senators Morton, McAuliffe, Rasmussen, Stevens, Horn, T. Sheldon, Finkbeiner, McDonald, Hochstatter, Johnson, Swecker, Zarelli, Honeyford and McCaslin

Limiting the buyout of school superintendents' employment contracts.

Provides that if the school board offers a buyout to terminate a contract of employment before the term of the contract has run, the amount of the buyout may not exceed the value of one year of the contract.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Education.

SB 5141 by Senators Hale, Patterson, Costa, McCaslin, Haugen, Sheahan, Finkbeiner, Carlson, Hochstatter, Oke, Winsley and Rasmussen

Requiring nonpartisan sheriffs.

Declares that, except in a county for which the position of sheriff is declared to be a partisan office by the county's home rule charter, the office of county sheriff shall be nonpartisan and the candidates therefor shall be nominated and elected as such.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to State & Local Government.

SB 5142 by Senators Winsley, Long, Fraser, Franklin, Honeyford, Carlson and Kohl-Welles; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy

Continuing law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' plan 1 split benefit payments to ex spouses of members pursuant to preretirement divorce orders made after July 1, 2002.

Continues law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' plan 1 split benefit payments to ex spouses of members pursuant to preretirement divorce orders made after July 1, 2002.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5143 by Senators Long, Honeyford, Carlson, Franklin, Winsley, Fraser and Haugen; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy

Modifying the Washington state patrol retirement system retirement and survivor benefits.

Revises the Washington state patrol retirement system retirement and survivor benefits.

Repeals RCW 43.43.272, 43.43.276, and 43.43.300.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5144 by Senators Winsley, Long, Honeyford, Franklin, Carlson, Fraser and Rasmussen; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy

Creating a supplemental actuarially reduced survivor benefit for qualified law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' retirement system plan 1 members who choose to actuarially reduce their benefits.

Establishes a supplemental actuarially reduced survivor benefit for qualified law enforcement officers' and

fire fighters' retirement system plan 1 members who choose to actuarially reduce their benefits.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5145 by Senators Long, Franklin, Carlson, Winsley, Honeyford and Fraser; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy

Exempting trainers and trainees in housing authority resident training programs from membership in the public employees' retirement system.

Declares that, beginning on the effective date of this act, persons employed exclusively as trainers or trainees in resident apprentice training programs operated by housing authorities authorized under chapter 35.82 RCW are exempt if (1) the trainer or trainee is a member of a union-sponsored retirement plan and is making contributions to such a retirement plan or (2) if the employee is a member of a Taft-Hartley retirement plan.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5146 by Senators Franklin, Winsley, Honeyford, Carlson, Long, Fraser, Kohl-Welles, Rasmussen and Haugen; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy

Reducing the law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' retirement system plan 2 disability actuarial reduction age from fifty-five to fifty-three.

Reduces the law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' retirement system plan 2 disability actuarial reduction age from fifty-five to fifty-three.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5147 by Senators Winsley, Carlson, Long, Franklin, Honeyford and Fraser; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy

Correcting statutes pertaining to the public employees' and school employees' retirement systems.

Corrects statutes pertaining to the public employees' and school employees' retirement systems.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5148 by Senators Franklin, Long, Carlson, Winsley, Honeyford, Fraser, McAuliffe, Kohl-Welles, Rasmussen and Haugen; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy

Increasing the maximum benefit allowance that teachers' retirement system plan 1 members may earn from sixty to sixty-eight percent.

Increases the maximum benefit allowance that teachers' retirement system plan 1 members may earn from sixty to sixty-eight percent.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5149 by Senators Franklin, Winsley, Carlson, Long, Honeyford, Fraser, Kohl-Welles and Haugen; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy

Increasing the maximum benefit allowance that public employees' retirement system plan 1 members may earn from sixty to sixty-eight percent.

Increases the maximum benefit allowance that public employees' retirement system plan 1 members may earn from sixty to sixty-eight percent.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5150 by Senators Carlson, Winsley, Long, Franklin, Honeyford, Fraser, Kohl-Welles, Rasmussen and Haugen; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy

Providing annual increases in retirement allowances.

Authorizes annual increases in retirement allowances.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5151 by Senators Carlson, Winsley, Honeyford, Franklin, Long, Fraser, McAuliffe, Kohl-Welles, Rasmussen, Haugen and Parlette; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy

Increasing the number of hours that teachers' retirement system plan retirees may work in an eligible position to eight hundred forty without a reduction in their retirement benefits.

Increases the number of hours that teachers' retirement system plan retirees may work in an eligible position to eight hundred forty without a reduction in their retirement benefits.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5152 by Senators Fraser, Carlson, Franklin, Long, Honeyford and Jacobsen; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy

Reconfiguring and changing the duties of the employee retirement benefits board.

Revises the composition and responsibilities of the employee retirement benefits board.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5153 by Senators Jacobsen, Winsley, Carlson, Honeyford, Long, Fraser, Kohl-Welles, Rasmussen, Haugen and Parlette; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy

Converting the number of months into hours that teachers' retirement system, public employees' retirement system, and school employees' retirement system retirees may work without a reduction in their retirement allowance.

Establishes provisions converting the number of months into hours that teachers' retirement system, public employees' retirement system, and school employees' retirement system retirees may work without a reduction in their retirement allowance.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5154 by Senators Kline, McCaslin, Roach, Constantine, Kohl-Welles and Winsley

Creating the Washington state civil rights act of 2001.

Declares that every governmental entity that, under color of a statute, ordinance, regulation, custom, or usage, subjects or causes to be subjected, a citizen, inhabitant, or domiciliary of the state of Washington to the deprivation of any rights, privileges, or immunities secured by the Constitution of the state of Washington, is liable to the person injured in an action at law, suit in equity, or other proper proceeding for the redress.

Declares an intent that persons who are injured by a violation of the state Constitution are eligible for redress, that future violations of the state Constitution be deterred thereby, and that this statute be construed liberally for the accomplishment of its declared purpose in this act.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5155 by Senators West, Prentice, Gardner, Winsley, Rasmussen and Kohl-Welles; by request of Horse Racing Commission

Establishing the live horse racing compact.

Declares that the purposes of the live horse racing compact are to:

(1) Establish uniform requirements among the party states for the licensing of participants in live horse racing with pari-mutuel wagering, and ensure that all such participants who are licensed pursuant to the compact meet a uniform minimum standard of honesty and integrity;

- (2) Facilitate the growth of the horse racing industry in each party state and nation-wide by simplifying the process for licensing participants in live racing, and reduce the duplicative and costly process of separate licensing by the regulatory agency in each state that conducts live horse racing with pari-mutuel wagering;
- (3) Authorize the Washington horse racing commission to participate in the live horse racing compact;
- (4) Provide for participation in the live horse racing compact by officials of the party states, and permit those officials, through the compact committee established by this act, to enter into contracts with governmental agencies and nongovernmental persons to carry out the purposes of the live horse racing compact; and
- (5) Establish the compact committee created by this act as an interstate governmental entity duly authorized to request and receive criminal history record information from the federal bureau of investigation and other state and local law enforcement agencies.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Financial Institutions.

SB 5156 by Senators Hale and Hewitt; by request of Administrator for the Courts

Creating an additional superior court position for the counties of Benton and Franklin jointly.

Establishes an additional superior court position for the counties of Benton and Franklin jointly.

Declares that the additional judicial position for the counties of Benton and Franklin jointly is effective only if Benton and Franklin county each through its duly constituted legislative authority documents its approval of the additional position and its agreement that it will pay out of county funds, without reimbursement from the state, the expenses of the additional judicial position as provided by state law or the state Constitution.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5157 by Senators Zarelli, Hale, Carlson, Honeyford, Parlette, Benton, Long, Stevens, Hochstatter, Winsley, Swecker, Oke, Johnson, Hewitt, Sheahan and Kohl-Welles

Providing tax relief for disasters.

Declares that the tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to sales of labor and services rendered in respect to:

- (1) The moving of houses out of any landslide area that has been declared as a federal disaster area;
- (2) The demolition of houses located in a landslide area that has been declared as a federal disaster area; or

(3) The removal of debris from a landslide area that has been declared as a federal disaster area.

Expires July 1, 2003

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5158 by Senators Morton, Oke and Roach

Allowing disabled hunters to use a crossbow.

Provides that a hunter who has a valid disabled hunter permit, and is issued a special crossbow authorization by the director to use a crossbow, may hunt wildlife. To qualify for a special crossbow authorization for the archery season, a person must have a permanent loss of use of one or both arms.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Parks & Shorelines.

SB 5159 by Senators Winsley, Gardner, Kohl-Welles, Horn, Prentice and Carlson

Authorizing four-year public institutions of higher education to participate with the state in investing surplus funds.

Authorizes four-year public institutions of higher education to participate with the state in investing surplus funds.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

SB 5160 by Senators Benton, Roach and Swecker

Eliminating the state property tax.

Eliminates the state property tax.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5161 by Senators Benton, Hochstatter and Stevens

Limiting property taxes.

Declares that, unless otherwise exempt from property taxes, any increase in value of property for taxation purposes over its 1999 valuation level, plus the lesser of two percent per year or inflation, is exempt from property taxes.

Provides that, unless otherwise exempt from property taxes, any increase in value of property attributable to construction or manufacture after 1999 over the true and fair value of the new construction or manufacture as of December 31st of the year of construction or manufacture, plus the lesser of two percent per year or inflation, is exempt from property taxes.

Declares that increases in property valuation attributable to maintenance improvements made after January 1, 1999, shall be exempt from property taxes. This exemption promotes neighborhood preservation, continuity, and stability.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5162 by Senators Benton, Finkbeiner, Johnson, Oke, Hale, Parlette, West, Rossi and Long

Allowing private entities to operate state-owned safety rest areas

Requires the department to adopt by rule a comprehensive program that allows private entities to operate state-owned safety rest areas.

Establishes criteria for operation by the private entities.

Directs the department to take all necessary action to ensure the most favorable lease rates for the state, whether by bid or other reasonable manner, and to require the lessee to enter into any other contract or agreement to protect the state and its citizens from commercial harm or other type of harm.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5163 by Senators Benton, Johnson, Finkbeiner, Hale and West

Removing the state ferry monopoly.

Amends RCW 47.60.120 and 81.84.020 to delete the ten-mile restriction on ferry crossings.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5164 by Senators Benton, Roach, Finkbeiner, Johnson, Stevens, Rossi, Hochstatter and Winsley

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Authorizing the governor to appoint the secretary of transportation.

Authorizes the governor to appoint the secretary of transportation.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5165 by Senator Benton

Providing property tax relief.

Declares that the intent of this act is to provide property tax relief by setting base years for property tax valuation computation, and limiting the tax assessed on real property.

Applies to taxes levied for collection in 2002 and thereafter.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5166 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Carlson, Horn, Shin, Jacobsen and McAuliffe

Allowing state financial aid to be used at Washington branch campuses of accredited out-of-state institutions of higher education.

Authorizes state financial aid to be used at Washington branch campuses of accredited out-of-state institutions of higher education.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

SB 5167 by Senators Fraser, Morton, Patterson, Hale, Regala, Prentice, T. Sheldon, Eide, Thibaudeau, Franklin, Spanel and Jacobsen

Enhancing the state energy strategy.

Finds that the state energy strategy was developed in 1993 to assist the state in meeting its goals of fostering the wise and efficient use of energy and to promote energy self-sufficiency.

Finds that, due to the recent energy shortages, fluctuations in the price of natural gas, oil, and electricity, changing energy technologies, and the increased need for conservation and development of renewable sources of energy, the state energy strategy is in need of review and revision.

Requires the department to create an advisory committee for the purpose of reviewing and revising the state energy strategy.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Environment, Energy & Water.

SB 5168 by Senators Shin, Sheahan, Franklin, Rasmussen, Costa, Horn, Prentice, Brown, Morton, Fairley, Constantine, McCaslin, McAuliffe and Kohl-Welles

Changing provisions regarding technology fees at institutions of higher education.

Authorizes the governing board of each of the state universities, the regional universities, The Evergreen State College, and each of the community or technical colleges, upon the written agreement of its respective student government association or its equivalent, to establish and charge each enrolled student a technology fee, separate from tuition fees.

Provides that revenue from this fee and the state general fund match shall be used exclusively for technology resources for general student use.

Provides that, after one year of collection and expenditures, the technology fees collected by each of the colleges or universities shall be matched by the state on a dollar-for-dollar basis. The maximum annual state general fund match per campus shall be four hundred fifty thousand dollars.

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Jan 12 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

SB 5169 by Senators Jacobsen, Finkbeiner and Eide

Creating tax incentives for telework.

Recognizes that telework has been found to reduce commute trips and provide flexibility for work-related travel.

Recognizes that telework is a key component in a comprehensive transportation demand management package.

Provides that an employer is allowed a credit against tax due under chapter 82.04 RCW for telework expenditures, including telework equipment, installation costs, and telework training.

Provides that an employer is allowed a credit against tax due under chapter 82.16 RCW for telework expenditures.

Takes effect October 1, 2001.

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Jan 12 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5170 by Senators Jacobsen, Finkbeiner, Eide and Kohl-Welles

Creating a temporary joint task force on telework enhancement.

Requires the joint task force on telework enhancement to meet during the interim and report back to the legislature by December 1, 2001. The report to the senate and house of representatives must include, but is not limited to, analysis and recommendations on the following:

- (1) Innovative information technologies, including collaborative software and videoconferencing;
- (2) The impact of telework on the transportation system;
 - (3) Successful rural telework efforts; and
- (4) Employers that have operations and attributes that would naturally benefit from telework.

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Jan 12 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5171 by Senators Jacobsen and Finkbeiner

Creating a telework enhancement funding board.

Declares an intent to decrease traffic congestion with the creation of the telework enhancement funding board.

Declares that the board is responsible for making grants and loans for telework enhancement projects and telework activities from the amounts appropriated to the board for this purpose.

Directs the board to develop procedures and criteria for allocation of funds for telework enhancement projects and telework activities on a statewide basis to address the highest priorities for enhancing telework.

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Jan 12 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5172 by Senators Prentice, Honeyford, Costa, Winsley, Hewitt and Kohl-Welles

Allowing landlords to receive direct payments of rent for people on public assistance.

Directs the department of social and health services to conduct a program designed to increase the supply of housing for persons on public assistance by making rental payments directly to the landlords.

Requires that, prior to the convening of the 2002 regular session of the legislature, the department shall report the results of the program, together with its recommendations, to the co-chairs of the house of representatives committee on economic development, housing and trade and the chair of the senate committee on labor and workforce development.

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Jan 12 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Financial Institutions.

SB 5173 by Senators Gardner, Patterson and Costa

Requiring food service establishments to post a letter grade card based on an inspection.

Directs board of health to adopt rules establishing a letter grade based on an inspection scoring system for all food service establishments and requiring the posting of a letter grade card upon issuance at the food service establishment so as to be clearly visible to the general public and to customers entering the food service establishment.

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Jan 12 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5174 by Senators Finkbeiner, Roach, Rossi, Kline, Hewitt, Snyder, Jacobsen, Oke, McAuliffe, Winsley, Stevens, Shin, Eide, Carlson, Honeyford and Hale

Establishing a do not call list.

Declares an intent to assist citizens in protecting the well-being, tranquility, and privacy of their homes by creating a process through which residential telephone subscribers can choose to be free from unwanted commercial telephone solicitations.

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Jan 12 First reading, referred to Economic D e v e l o p m e n t & Telecommunications.

Senate Joint Memorials

SJM 8003 by Senators Benton, Johnson, Hale, Finkbeiner and West

Asking Congress to require the secretary of transportation to waive repayment of federal-aid highway funds used to build high occupancy vehicle lanes.

Requests Congress to require the secretary of transportation to waive repayment of federal-aid highway funds use to build high occupancy vehicle lanes.

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Jan 12 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SJM 8004 by Senators Spanel, Swecker, Patterson, Hargrove, Costa, Eide, Fraser, Thibaudeau, Franklin, Regala, Gardner, Prentice, Kline, Kohl-Welles and Haugen

Petitioning Congress to appropriate support for an oil spill prevention tugboat in the Strait of Juan de Fuca.

Requests that Congress appropriate sufficient budgetary support to permanently station an oil spill prevention tugboat, of adequate size, and with rescue, fire fighting, spill response, and lifesaving capabilities, at the westward end of the Strait of Juan de Fuca.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Environment, Energy & Water.

SJM 8005 by Senators Fraser, Swecker, Spanel, Patterson, Thibaudeau, Hargrove, Gardner, Costa, Prentice, Eide, Franklin, Regala, Jacobsen, Kline and Kohl-Welles

Petitioning Congress to strengthen vessel safety standards.
Requests that Congress act expeditiously to amend the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 to make clear that states have the authority to adopt additional oil tanker, barge, and cargo vessel operating requirements that are supplemental to and not inconsistent with regulations adopted by the United

States Coast Guard.

Requests that the United States Coast Guard act immediately to strengthen its tanker vessel safety standards by adopting measures similar to Washington state's standards, including those relating to tanker crew training, accident reporting, navigation watch practices, and deck officer English-language proficiency, that the United States Supreme Court held to be preempted by Congressional intent.

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Jan 12 First reading, referred to Environment, Energy & Water.

Senate Joint Resolutions

SJR 8204 by Senators Benton and Roach

Amending the Constitution to require voter approval on taxes.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to require voter approval on taxes.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SJR 8205 by Senator Benton

Amending the Constitution to modify property valuation. Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to modify property valuation.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

Senate Concurrent Resolutions

SCR 8405 by Senators Jacobsen, Kline and Thibaudeau

Creating the position of state poet laureate.

Requests that the Governor appoint a Washington poet to serve as the poet laureate of the state of Washington. The poet laureate shall engage in activities to promote and encourage poetry within the state. The term of the poet laureate shall be two years.

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